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In re the application of:

TIM CORVI et al.

Application No.: 09/916,642

Filed: July 27, 2001

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PETITION TO REVIVE UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Mail Stop Petition Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that U.S. Patent Application No. 09/916,642 as filed on July 27, 2001 be revived. The above-identified application apparently became abandoned for failure to file a Response to a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed from the U.S. Patent Office on July 23, 2004.

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment set a one-month period for reply, which expired on August 23, 2004. The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was never received by Applicants' representative. Hence, the entire delay in filing the required reply, from the due date for the response until the filing date of this grantable petition under 37 CFR §1.137(b) was unintentional.

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In support of the following Petition, Applicants provide herewith the required

Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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